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Brooke Ganz  
MuckRock News  
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FOIL # 17-09-412

Dear Ms. Ganz:

This letter further responds to your follow-up to your Freedom of Information Law request of September 27, 2017, in which you requested "a copy of the New York State birth index, from 1880 (or as early as such records are available) through December 31, 1942, inclusive. This request is for the basic index or 'finding aid' only; please note that I am not requesting any actual birth certificates." The Department provided you with a response on August 7, 2018.

On September 6, September 7, September 9, and September 18, 2018, you sent this office emails in which you identified several images that were missing or corrupt and could not be opened or viewed. You requested that we provide you with re-scanned images.

I have enclosed documents responsive to your follow-up request.

Should you feel that you have been unlawfully denied access to records, you may appeal such denial in writing within 30 days to the Records Access Appeals Officer, Division of Legal Affairs, Empire State Plaza, 2438 Corning Tower, Albany, New York 12237-0026.

If you require additional information or wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me at (518) 474-8734.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rosemarie Hewig". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "R" and "H".

Rosemarie Hewig, Esq.  
Records Access Officer

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